Civilian Safety Officers and the Commander's Safety Program

A former Commander's Perspective

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Outline

- *Purpose*
- *Regiment's Safety Program*
  - *Training*
  - *Liberty*
  - *SOP*
- *Role of Civilian Safety Officer*
- *Summary/Questions*

Purpose

- *Examine an approach to effectively address the safety challenges of Commanders*

Commander's Safety Program:

Commander's Intent

CRITICAL VULNERABILITY

"…..<u>complacency</u>, <u>ignorance</u>, and the "*<u>it won't happen to me" syndrome</u>*……"

Commander's Safety Program:

Commander's Intent

Point of Main Effort (POME)

To exploit (or overcome) this vulnerability, focus will be on awareness, teamwork, persistence, constant vigilance, and the employment of civilian safety officers provided by the 5th element of the MAGTF, MCB

Commander's Safety Program:

Commander's Intent

ENDSTATE

Each Marine and Sailor…..possesses an ever present and intuitive safety awareness that he carries….through our daily activities in training and liberty (leave).

Commander's Safety Program

Per references:

- **CMC WHITE LETTER NO. 06-00**, MARINE CORPS SAFETY CAMPAIGN PLAN
- **MCO 5100.8F**, MARINE CORPS OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH (OSH) PROGRAM
- **MCO P5102.1**, MARINE CORPS GROUND MISHAP REPORTING
- **MCO 3500.27**, OPERATIONAL RISK MANAGEMENT (ORM)
- **REGT SAFETY CAMPAIGN PLAN**
- **REGT ORDER 5100.1D, SOP GROUND SAFETY**
- **COMMANDING OFFICER'S STATEMENT ON SAFETY**

CMC WHITE LETTER

- XO's are appointed safety officers
  - Billet description per PES
  - Comments made in eval
- ORM is applied during planning and execution of all operations
  - Civ Safety Official from Base Safety Office
    - **Mr. John Drost**
- Safety Education to address on and off duty
  - MCBH Safety Office/Standdowns/Pre and Post UDP Leave

MCO 5100.8F OSH

- **Safety Council** assesses/corrects mishap trends in Regt
- **Drive Safe Council**
  - Ensures Marines under age of 26 attend Drivers Improvement Course
  - All motorcyclist attend Motorcycle Safety course
- **Hearing/Sight Conservation Program**
  - 84 decibels and higher require annual audiograms
- **Sight Conservation Program**
- **Respiratory Protection Program**
  - Monitor those in Corrosion Control Facility
- **Personal Protective Equipment Program** for people working in hazardous areas
  - e.g., cutting grass wear hearing and eye protection

MCO 5102.1 .....Reporting

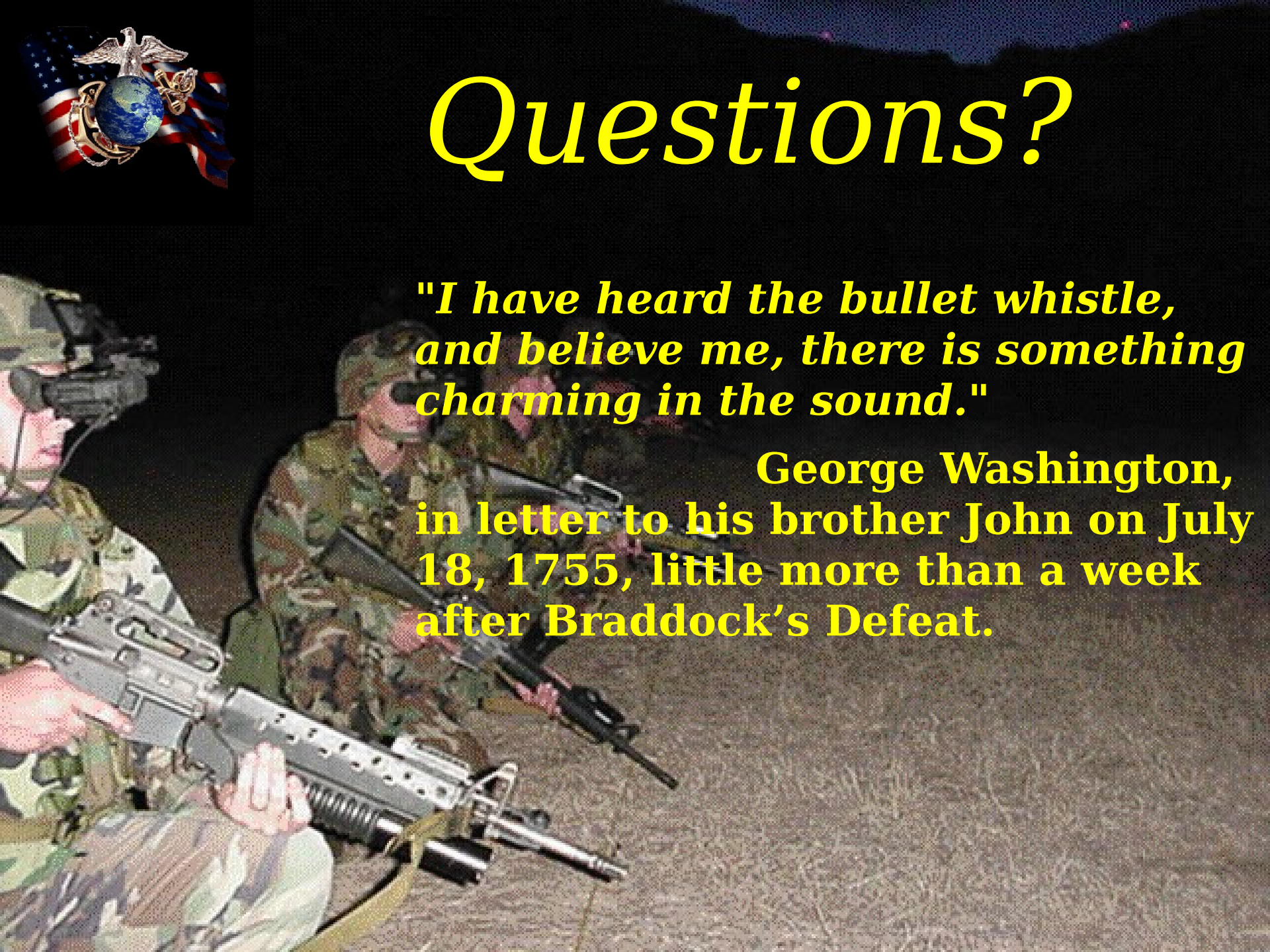
- FLASH AND SUPERVISOR REPORTS
  - How to submit reports
  - How to conduct mishap investigations

MCO 3500.27 ORM

- Outlines requirement/responsibility for ORM
- Routine for planning and execution of missions

OVERVIEW

- XO's responsible for execution of safety policy
- No training w/o ORM Assessments
- Safety training and awareness quarterly (minimum)
- **Civilian Safety Rep part of all Regt Level planning/execution of operations**
  - **Safety annex is App 14 to Annex D to current exercise order**
    - **ORM guidance**
    - **Vehicular speed/operations**
    - **Reports**
- Regt Campaign Plan almost complete (Guidance)
- Regt SOP on Ground Safety under revision (Execution)
- Commanding Officer's Statement of Safety
  - Safety is a mission (type) order for training and liberty/leave
  - Safety is a means for action (and not "CYA" or "check in box")
  - Get the word out!



Questions?

"I have heard the bullet whistle, and believe me, there is something charming in the sound."

George Washington, in letter to his brother John on July 18, 1755, little more than a week after Braddock's Defeat.